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Parents vs. Teenagers

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My parents have a lot of rules for me that they expect me to follow. Even though a lot of them I don’t agree with, I still follow them. Yes I will admit that every once in while I break them. But when I do I’m not afraid to fess up.

A lot of the rules that my parents give to me are associated with my phone. I have only had my phone for a week now and in that time my parents have made it very clear to me on what to do and what not to do. These rules have “absolutely no flexibility,” as my mom would say. One of these rules would be no texting past 10:00 on week days. That one I can understand because without that rule I would walk into school like a zombie and fall asleep in all my classes. One that I don’t understand would be that my phone has to be downstairs on week night. I know that if I texted at night till late, I wouldn’t be very nice in the morning. So I wouldn’t do it. Anyways by 10:00 most of my friends are already fast asleep.

When I break rules it always happens in one way. It’s not like they tell me not to do something and I do it anyways. It’s more along the lines of I’m positive they are going to say “no” so don’t ask them. This way I feel that I didn’t completely disobey them. They don’t take it that way, doing this usually results in getting yelled at or sometimes being grounded. But I can’t say that I didn’t disserve it, I’m not stupid I know what I did was wrong. The big consequence that I really take into consideration when making choices, would be whether or not I’m going to get my dirt bike taken away. Without my dirt bike I can be one of those people you don’t want to be around.

When my dad was a teenager he said that one of his biggest rules was getting his chores done. He said that if his chores weren’t done then life stopped for him there was no eating, sleeping, watching TV, or anything else. Of course he said that those rules were fair, but any parent would say that to their son, trying to set an example.

Of course my parents have rules and of course they expect me to follow them. Yes, every once and a while I do break them, but who doesn’t? I’m even sure that my parents, as teenagers, broke rules as well. From what you read, just like everyone else, there are consequences that will take place when rules are broken. I just hope they aren’t serious ones.